

Appendix



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SUPPL. TABLE 1. List of the recorded families with their species, vernacular name, life forms (LF), chorotype (CH), Habitats and their sites in Al-Jabal Al-Akhdar area.

Family name	Scientific name	Vernacular name	LF	CH	Habitats	Site						
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Alliaceae	<i>Allium ampeloprasum</i> L.	الكراث	Ge	ME+IT	NE,SE,WB	✓						✓
Amaranthaceae	<i>Anabasis articulata</i> (Forssk.) Moq.	العجرم	Ch	SA	NE,SE,WB		✓					
	* <i>Pistacia lentiscus</i> L.	البلوط	Ph	ME	SF,LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Anacardiaceae	<i>Rhus tripartita</i> (Bernard. da Ucria) Grande.	الجباري	Ph	ME+IT+SA	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
	<i>Ammi majus</i> L.	الجلد	Th	ME+IT+ES	FT,ST							✓
Apiaceae	<i>Conium maculatum</i> L.	شوكران	He	ME+IT+ES	SE,NE,WB							✓
	<i>Deverra tortuosa</i> (Desf.) DC.	القراح	Ch	SA	NE,SE,WB	✓						
	<i>Thapsia garganica</i> L.	الدريلانس	He	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	<i>Nerium oleander</i> L.	أله	Ph	ME	SE,NE							
Apocynaceae	<i>Periploca angustifolia</i> Labill.	كلاقب	Ph	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Arum cyrenaicum</i> Hrdy.	الربيش	Ge	Endemic	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB							✓
	<i>Asparagus aphyllus</i> L.	هليون	Ch	ME	FT,ST							✓
Asparagaceae	<i>Drimia maritima</i> (L.) Stearn.	البرقق	Ge	ME	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Asphodelaceae	<i>Asphodelus microcarpus</i> Salzm. & Viv.	الغضل	Ge	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WE	✓	✓	✓	✓			

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Family name	Scientific name	Vernacular name	LF	CH	Habitats	Site						
						1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<i>Anacyclus clavatus</i> (Desf.) Pers.	سِرْكَلْبَش	Th	ME	NE,SE,WB	✓						✓
	<i>Antennaria cyrenaica</i> Coss. var. <i>cyrenaica</i>	أَشْتَبِين	Th	Endemic	NE-SE-WB	✓						
	<i>Bellis sylvestris</i> Cyr. var. <i>cyrenaica</i> Beg.	بَلَيْسَن	He	Endemic	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
	<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i> L.	شُوكُ الْجَمَل	Th	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Centaurea cyrenaica</i> Beg. & Vacc.	الْحَسْوَفُ	Ch	Endemic	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB							
	<i>Conyza bonariensis</i> (L.) Cronquist.	لَحْيَةُ الشَّيْخِ	Ch	COSM	LW,FT,ST,SE							
	<i>Cynara cyrenaica</i> Maire & Weill.	قَعْوَلُ	Ch	Endemic	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
	<i>Echinops spinosissimus</i> Turra.	شُوكُ الْجَمَل	Ch	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Helichrysum stoechas</i> (L.) Moench. Meth.	عَصْبَيْهَةُ الْأَرْنَبِ	He	ME	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
Asteraceae	<i>Launaea mucronata</i> (Forssk.) Muschl.	الْعَضِيدُ	He	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Launaea nudicaulis</i> (L.) Hooker.f.	الْأَخْوَارَانِ	He	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Matricaria aurea</i> (Loefl.) Sch. Bip.	الْفَيلَاءُ	Th	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	<i>Onopordum cyrenaicum</i> Maire & Weill.	شُوكُ الْجَمَل	Th	Endemic	FT,ST,SE							
	<i>Pallenis spinosa</i> (L.) Cass.	بَلَيْسَن	He	ME	NE,SE,WB							
	* <i>Seriphidium herba-alba</i> (Asso) Soják.	الشَّيْخُ	Ch	ME	FT,ST							
	<i>Sonchus asper</i> (L.) Hill.	سُوقُشُوسُ	Th	COSM	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
	<i>Sinapis pubescens</i> L.	الْجَارَةُ	Th	ME+SA	NE,SE,WB	✓						
	<i>Opuntia vulgaris</i> Mill. var. <i>balearica</i> F.A.C. Weber.	الْقَنْدَلُ الشَّوْكِيُّ	Ph	COSM	NE,SE,WB							
Brassicaceae	<i>Capparis spinosa</i> L. var. <i>krugeriana</i> (Pamp.) Jaffri.	الْكَبَرُ	Ch	Endemic	NE,SE,WB	✓						
Cactaceae												
Capparaceae												
Caprifoliaceae	<i>Lonicera etrusca</i> Santi.	سِرْقَةُ الْقَنَادِهِ	Ph	ME	FT,ST	✓						
Cistaceae	<i>Cistus parviflorus</i> Lam.	بَرْسِشُ الْحَصَرِ	Ch	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE	✓						
	<i>Cistus salviifolius</i> L.	بَرْسِشُ الْعَبْدِ	Ch	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE	✓						
Convolvulaceae	<i>Convolvulus maireanus</i> Pamp.	الْعَلْقُ	Th	Endemic	SE,NE,WB	✓						

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Cucurbitaceae	<i>Citrullus colocynthis</i> (L.) Schrad.	خضل	He	SA	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cupressaceae	* <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> L. var. <i>horizontalis</i> (Mill.) Gord.	السرور	Ph	Endemic	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ephedraceae	* <i>Juniperus phoenicea</i> L.	العرعر	Ph	ME	SF,LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ericaceae	* <i>Ephedra altissima</i> Desf. var. <i>altissima</i> Pamp.	علدة	Ph	Endemic	FT,ST,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Euphorbiaceae	* <i>Arbutus pavonii</i> Pamp.	شماري	Ph	Endemic	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ericaceae	<i>Erica multiflora</i> L.	اريكا	Ph	ME	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Euphorbiaceae	<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i> L.	الجلبيب	Ph	ME	FT,ST	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Euphorbiaceae	<i>Euphorbia pseudo-apios</i> Maire & Weiller.	الثاغنة	Ph	Endemic	FT,ST	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fabaceae	* <i>Calicotome villosa</i> (Poir.) Link. in Schrad	الشقدرول	Ph	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fabaceae	* <i>Ceratonia siliqua</i> L.	الخربوب	Ph	ME	FT,ST,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fabaceae	<i>Lotus tetragonolobus</i> L.	غدوبيش	Th	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fagaceae	<i>Retama raetam</i> (Forssk.) Webb & Berthel.	الرنتة	Ph	ME+IT+SA	SD,SF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fagaceae	<i>Spartium junceum</i> L.	اللوبط	Ph	ME	SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geraniaceae	* <i>Quercus coccifera</i> L.	البلوط	Ph	ME	W,FT,ST,SE,NE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Globulariaceae	<i>Erodium keithii</i> Guitt. & L.e.	بروبيوم	Th	Endemic	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Iridaceae	<i>Globularia alypum</i> L.	القرفة	Ch	ME + SA	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Juncaceae	<i>Crocus boulosii</i> Greuter.	كروكوسس	Ge	Endemic	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Juncaceae	<i>Romulea cyrenica</i> Beguinot.	دوملبا	Ge	Endemic	FT,ST,SE,NE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Juncaceae	<i>Juncus acutus</i> L.	بس	He	ME + I T	SS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Ajuga iva</i> (L.) Schreb.	الشنفرة	He	ME	LW,FT,ST	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Ballota Andreizziana</i> Pamp.	الميلا	Ch	Endemic	FT,ST	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Lavandula multifida</i> L.	الخزامه	Ch	ME	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Marrubium vulgare</i> L.	الروبيا	Ch	ME+ IT	SF,SWLW,FT,ST,SE,NE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Micromeria nervosa</i> (Desf.) Benth.	ميكروميريا	Ch	ME	SD,SWLW,FT,ST	All habitats except SS-SD	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lamiaceae	<i>Phlomis crinita</i> Cav.	فوميس	Ch	ME + IT	All habitats except SS-SD	All habitats except SS-SD	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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	<i>Phlomis floccosa</i> D.Don.	الدويبة	Ch	ME + IT	All habitats except SS-SD	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> L.	أكليل الجبل	Ph	ME	LW,FT,ST	✓						✓
	<i>Sahvia fruticosa</i> Mill.	تقاح الشابي	Ch	ME	ST,FT,NE,SE,WB	✓	✓					
	<i>Teucrium polium</i> L.	الجعدنة	Ch	ME+IT	NE,SE,WB	✓	✓					
	<i>Teucrium zanonii</i> Pamp.	الجعدنة	Ch	Endemic	NE,SE,WB	✓						
	* <i>Thymus capitatus</i> (L.) Hoffmanns. & Link.	الزعر	Ch	ME	FT,ST	✓						
Lauraceae	* <i>Laurus nobilis</i> L.	الرند-الغار	Ph	ME	WB	✓						
Malvaceae	<i>Malva aegyptia</i> L.	الجبيذ	Th	ME + SA	NE-SE	✓						
Myrtaceae	<i>Myrtus communis</i> L.	الريحان	Ph	ME+IT+ES	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓					
Oleaceae	* <i>Olea europaea</i> L.	الزيتون	Ph	ME	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓					
Papaveraceae	<i>Philibertia angustifolia</i> L.	سخليب	Ph	ME	NE,SE,WB	✓						
Pinaceae	<i>Papaver rhoes</i> L.	بقرعن	Th	ME	LW, FT,ST	✓						
Plantaginaceae	* <i>Pinu halepensis</i> Miller.	صنوبر	Ph	ME	FT,SE,NE,WB	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Poaceae	<i>Plantago ceranaica</i> Durand & Barratte.	بلاتناغر	Th	Endemic	SD,SW,LW,FT,ST	✓						
Portulacaceae	<i>Avena barbata</i> Pott ex Link.	خافر	Th	ME	FT,ST	✓						
Primulaceae	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers.	نجيل	Ge	COSM	All habitats except SF	✓						
Rhamnaceae	<i>Stipa barbata</i> Desf.	بجها	He	ME + IT+ES	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WE	✓	✓					
	<i>Portulaca oleracea</i> L.	بليشنه	Th	COSM	NE,SE,WB	✓						
	<i>Cyclamen rohlfsianum</i> Aschers.	سيكلامن	Ge	Endemic	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE,WB	✓						
	<i>Rhamnus lycooides</i> subsp. <i>oleoides</i> (L.) Lahand. & Maire.	سلوف	Ph	ME	LW,FT,ST,SE,NE	✓	✓	✓	✓			
	* <i>Ziziphus lotus</i> (L.) Lam.	سدود	Ph	ME	FT,ST	✓						

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						1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rosaceae	<i>Rubus sanctus</i> Schreb.	ثُورٌ الشوكى	Ph	ME+IT	NE,SE,WB							✓
	<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i> (L.) Spach.	شُبْرَق	Ch	ME	All habitats except SD							✓
Rutaceae	<i>Ruta chalepensis</i> L.	الفِيلِيل	Ch	ME	NE,SE,WB							✓
Scrophulariaceae	<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i> L.	أَذْنَانُ الدِّبَّ	He	ME+IT	NE,SE,WB							✓
Solanaceae	<i>Lycium europaeum</i> L.	الْعَوْسَاج	Ph	ME	SF							✓
	<i>Solanum nigrum</i> L.	غَبَّ الْدِبَّبِ	Th	SA	FT,ST,SE,NE,WB							
Urticaceae	<i>Urtica pilulifera</i> L.	الْحَرْبَقَة	Th	ME+ IT+ES	LW-FT-ST-NE-SE-WB							✓
Valerianaceae	<i>Valerianella petrovichii</i> Aschers.	فَلَوْرِيَّاتِيَّة	Th	Endemic	NE,SE,WB							✓

Abbreviation: (*) target species; Ph= Phanerophytes, Ch = Chamaephytes, Th = Therophytes and Ge = Hemicycophytes and Ge = Genophytes; ME = Mediterranean; He = Hemicycophytes and Ge = Genophytes; COSM = Cosmopolitan, SA = Saharo-Arabian, TR = Tropical, SU = Sudanian, SE = South – Europe, SI = Saharo-Sindian and IT = Irano-Turanian; SS = Saline Sand flats, SD = Coastal Sand Dunes, SF = Sand Flats, SW = Sea Ward slope, LW = Lee Ward slope, FT = First Terrace, ST = Second Terrace, SE = South-East slope, NE = North-East slope and WB = Wadi Bed; 1 = Al-Majr-Al-Baida motorway, 2 = El-Beida (Belghra), 3 = Jardas Jerrar, 4 = Shahat, 5 = Sidi Ahmad Al-Hemery, 6 = Susah and 7 = Wadi El-Kouf.

SUPPL. TABLE 2. Means of Importance value (IV) of indicator and preferential species in the seven vegetation groups derived after the application of TWINSPAN at Al-Jabal Al-Akhdar region.

Nu.	Vegetation group	Scientific Name	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	
			Stands No.	3	4	2	11	9	28	6
1-		<i>Ajuga iva</i> (L.) Schreb.		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
2-		<i>Allium ampeloprasum</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0.9	0
3-		<i>Ammi majus</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0	1.3
4-		<i>Anabasis articulata</i> (Forssk.) Moq.		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
5-		<i>Anacyclus clavatus</i> (Desf.) Pers.		0	0	0	0	0	1.7	0
6-		<i>Anthemis cyrenaica</i> Coss		0	0	0	0	0	1	0
7-		* <i>Arbutus pavarii</i> Pamp.		0	0	0	3.2	35	13	9.3
8-		<i>Arum cyrenicum</i> Hruby.		0	0	0	1.5	0	0	0
9-		<i>Asparagus aphyllus</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0
10-		<i>Asphodelus microcarpus</i> Salzm. & Viv.		0	0	0	0	1.9	2.7	3.2
11-		<i>Avena barbata</i> Pott & Link.		0	0	0	2.4	0	0	0
12-		<i>Ballota andreuzziana</i> Pamp.		30.7	0	10.5	0	0	0.6	0
13-		<i>Bellis sylvestris</i> var. <i>cyrenaica</i> Beg.		0	0	0	0	0	0	3.3
14-		<i>Calicotome villosa</i> (Poir.) Link in Schrad.		0	0	0	0	0	0	2
15-		<i>Capparis spinosa</i> L.var. <i>krugeriana</i> (Pamp.) Jafri.		0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0
16-		* <i>Ceratonia siliqua</i> L.		0	0	0	4	0	4	2.7
17-		<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i> L.		0	0	0	1.2	0	0.7	0
18-		<i>Centaurea cyrenaica</i> Beg.&Vacc		0	0	0	1	0	0	0
19-		<i>Cistus parviflorus</i> Lam.		0	0	0	0	18	0.61	0
20-		<i>Cistus salvifolius</i> L.		0	0	0	0	7.7	0.61	0
21-		<i>Citrullus colocynthis</i> (L.) Schrad.		0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0
22-		<i>Convolvulus maireanus</i> Pamp.		0	0	0	0	1.3	0.4	2.2
23-		<i>Conium maculatum</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
24-		<i>Conyza bonariensis</i> (L.) Cronquist		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
25-		<i>Crocus boulsoii</i> Greuter.		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
26-		* <i>Cupressus sempervirens</i> L.var. <i>horizontalis</i> (Mill.) Gord.		0	0	0	19.4	21.3	0.8	18.4
27-		<i>Cyclamen rohlfsianum</i> Aschers.		0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0
28-		<i>Cynara cyrenaica</i> Maire & Weiller.		0	0	0	0	0	1.2	0
29-		<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers.		0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0
30-		<i>Deverra tortuosa</i> (Desf.) DC.		0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0
31-		<i>Drimia maritima</i> L.		0	0	0	0	1.9	6	0
32-		<i>Echinops Spinosissimus</i> Turra.		0	0	0	0	0	1.3	0
33-		<i>Ephedra altissima</i> Desf.var. <i>altissima</i> Pamp.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0.83
34-		<i>Erica multiflora</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0	2
35-		<i>Erodium keithii</i> Guitt. & Le.		0	0	0	0	0	1	0
36-		<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	1.3	9.3
37-		<i>Euphorbia pseudo-apios</i> Maire & Weiller.		0	0	0	1.5	0	0	0
38-		<i>Globularia alypum</i> L.		0	0	0	0	0	0	2.8
39-		<i>Helichrysum stoechas</i> (L) Moench. Meth.		0	0	0	0	9	0	4.3
40-		* <i>Juniperus phoenicea</i> L.		0	31	22.5	45	31	61	35
41-		<i>Juncus acutus</i> L.		0	0	0	5	0	0	0

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Nu.	Vegetation group Scientific Name	Stands No.		A	B	C	D	E	F	G
		3	4	2	11	9	28	6		
42-	* <i>Laurus nobilis</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0	14.5		
43-	<i>Launaea mucronata</i> (Forssk.) Muschl.	0	0	0	0	0	1.5	0		
44-	<i>Launaea nudicaulis</i> (L.) Hooker.f.	0	0	0	0	0	3	0		
45-	<i>Lavandula multifida</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0		
46-	<i>Lonicera etrusca</i> Santi.	0	0	0	0	0	1.5	0		
47-	<i>Lotus tetragonolobus</i> L.	0	0	0	1.1	0	0	0		
48-	<i>Lycium europaeum</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.3		
49-	<i>Malva aegyptia</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0		
50-	<i>Marrubium vulgare</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0		
51-	<i>Matricaria aurea</i> (Loefl.) Sch. Bip.	0	0	0	0	1.73	0.5	5.5		
52-	<i>Micromeria nervosa</i> (Desf.) Benth.	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	0		
53-	<i>Myrtus communis</i> L.	0	0	0	1.7	0	0	0		
54-	<i>Nerium oleander</i> L.	0	0	0	5.7	0	0	0		
55-	* <i>Olea europaea</i> L.	0	0	0	4	3.1	19	15.5		
56-	<i>Onopordum cyrenaicum</i> Maire & Weill.	0	0	0	0	1.3	1.4	0		
57-	<i>Opuntia Vulgaris</i> var. balearica.	0	0	0	3.64	0	0	0		
58-	<i>Pallenis spinosa</i> (L.) Cass.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		
59-	<i>Papaver rhoeas</i> L.	0	0	0	1.5	0	0	0		
60-	<i>Periploca angustifolia</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
61-	<i>Phillyrea angustifolia</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.4	0		
62-	<i>Phlomis crinita</i> Cav.	0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0		
63-	<i>Phlomis floccosa</i> D. Don.	0	0	27.5	0	1.6	6.4	10		
64-	* <i>Pinus halepensis</i> Miller.	0	0	0	25.4	28.3	0.3	12.7		
65-	* <i>Pistacia lentiscus</i> L.	0	0	0	24.64	11	30.2	21.6		
66-	<i>Plantago ceranaica</i> Durand & Barratte.	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	0		
67-	<i>Portulaca oleracea</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
68-	* <i>Quercus coccifera</i> L.	0	0	0	12	0	5	2.2		
69-	<i>Retama raetam</i> (Forssk.) Webb & Berthel.	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0		
70-	<i>Rhamnus lycioides</i> subsp. <i>oleoides</i> (L.) Jahand. & Maire	0	0	0	10.3	4	4	0		
71-	<i>Rhus tripartita</i> (Bernard. da Ucria) Grande.	0	0	0	0	1.8	0.6	0		
72-	<i>Romulea cyrenaica</i> Beguinot.	0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0		
73-	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> L.	0	0	0	1.64	0.8	0.3	0		
74-	<i>Rubus sanctus</i> Schreb.	0	0	0	0	0	1.2	0		
75-	<i>Ruta chalepensis</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0		
76-	<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i> (L.) Spach	0	0	0	0	0	3.7	0		
77-	<i>Salvia fruticosa</i> Mill.	0	0	0	0	0	0.3	4		
78-	* <i>Seriphidium herba-alba</i> (Asso) Soják	69.3	72.83	48	0	0	0	0		
79-	<i>Sinapis pubescens</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0	8		
80-	<i>Solanum nigrum</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	0		
81-	<i>Sonchus asper</i> (L.) Hill.	0	0	0	0	0	0.5	0		
82-	<i>Spartium junceum</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.7	0		
83-	<i>Stipa barbata</i> Desf.	0	0	0	0	0	6	2.2		
84-	<i>Teucrium polium</i> L.	0	0	0	0.64	3.4	0.3	0		
85-	<i>Teucrium zanonii</i> Pamp.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		
86-	<i>Thapsia garganica</i> L.	0	0	0	15.7	14.13	2	0		
87-	* <i>Thymus capitatus</i> (L.) Hoffmanns. & Link	66.8	60.5	48	0	0	0	0		
88-	<i>Urtica pilulifera</i> L.	0	0	0	1.1	1.1	0	0		
89-	<i>Valerianella petrovichii</i> Aschers.	0	0	0	0	0	0.6	0		
90-	<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i> L.	0	0	0	0	0	0.2	0		
91-	* <i>Ziziphus lotus</i> (L.) Lam.	33.83	36.3	44.5	10	0	0	0		

(*) = Target species.

SUPPL. TABLE 3. Means, standard deviation (\pm) and significance of variation between thirteen environmental variables and the studied seven groups (analysis of variance between sample-groups A–G) distinguished by TWINSPAN program in Al-Jabal Al-Akhdar region.

Group number	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	f (ratio)
Number of stands	3	4	2	11	9	28	6	
pH	7.9 \pm 0.32	7.8 \pm 0.36	7.7 \pm 0.56	7.6 \pm 0.21	7.4 \pm 0.37	7.8 \pm 0.36	7.9 \pm 0.20	2.73
EC, ds/m	0.38 \pm 0.17	0.23 \pm 0.12	0.26 \pm 0.72	0.25 \pm 0.17	0.31 \pm 0.12	0.25 \pm 0.12	0.22 \pm 0.07	0.72
Sand (%)	28.8 \pm 1.67	27.7 \pm 5.51	22 \pm 5.55	16.6 \pm 4.13	24 \pm 6.5	23 \pm 7.1	26 \pm 6.4	3
Silt (%)	41.4 \pm 10.9	44.1 \pm 10.1	40.6 \pm 7.2	35.6 \pm 7.6	34 \pm 4.9	35 \pm 11.5	38 \pm 5.8	0.81
Clay (%)	29.9 \pm 10.6	28.2 \pm 12.8	37.3 \pm 1.6	47.8 \pm 10.9	42.23 \pm 7.3	41.2 \pm 15.6	35.3 \pm 8.8	1.76
Anions								
CO ₃ ⁻	0.0 \pm 0.0	0.0						
HCO ₃ ⁻	0.48 \pm 0.14	0.48 \pm 0.11	0.68 \pm 0.71	0.65 \pm 0.59	0.56 \pm 0.22	0.52 \pm 0.79	0.76 \pm 0.51	0.149
SO ₄ ⁻	4.7 \pm 3.51	12.3 \pm 12.9	1.03 \pm 0.02	1.3 \pm 0.78	3.3 \pm 2.94	0.86 \pm 0.89	1.5 \pm 1.7	7.23**
Cl ⁻	8.6 \pm 9.1	9.1 \pm 7.4	0.37 \pm 0.09	1.6 \pm 2.8	0.43 \pm 0.25	0.31 \pm 0.31	0.49 \pm 0.39	9.78**
Cations								
Ca ⁺²	1.5 \pm 2.4	1.5 \pm 2.2	0.17 \pm 0.02	0.12 \pm 0.07	0.19 \pm 0.06	11.7 \pm 17.4	0.14 \pm 0.04	2.26
Mg ⁺²	0.31 \pm 0.48	0.38 \pm 0.66	0.12 \pm 0.35	0.08 \pm 0.07	0.11 \pm 0.09	1.5 \pm 2.6	0.05 \pm 0.01	1.39
Na ⁺	9.12 \pm 11.3	16.3 \pm 17.3	1.5 \pm 0.28	2.4 \pm 2.3	3.6 \pm 2.9	1.2 \pm 0.68	1.9 \pm 2.1	6.97**
K ⁺	1.6 \pm 1.18	2.1 \pm 2.4	0.5 \pm 0.06	0.98 \pm 0.94	0.38 \pm 0.41	0.4 \pm 0.52	0.23 \pm 0.12	3.77*

Abbreviation: EC.= Electrical Conductivity, ds/m= DeciSiemens/meter and m.eq./L = Milli equivalents per liter.

*= Significant at P= 0.05, **= Significant at P= 0.01.